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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

Column 253,

Line 34, "steroid substrate comprises" should read -- steroid comprises --. Line 37, "3-dialkoxy-5,7-lactone" should read -- 3-dialkoxy-5,7-lactone --.

Column 254,

Line 1, please add a space between "—" and "represents".

Column 255,

Line 1, please add a space between "—" and "represents".

Column 256,

Lines 2 and 40, please add a space between "—" and "represents".

Lines 3 and 41, "alphα- or betα-oriented" should read -- alpha- or beta-oriented --. Line 34, "-CHR⁴ CHR ⁵-" should read -- -CHR⁴-CHR⁵- --.

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